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300.1136 Attorney Docket No. 10/692,729 Application Number REPLY/AMENDMENT Filing Date October 27, 2003 FEE TRANSMITTAL Akihiko TATEIWA First Named Inventor 2874 Group Art Unit STAHL. MICHAEL J AMOUNT ENCLOSED **Examiner Name** 0.00 FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 12/08/04) Highest Number Number Claims Remaining CLAIMS AS Previously Paid For AMENDED After Amendment Extra Rate Calculations TOTAL CLAIMS 0 X \$ 50.00 =\$ 0.00 10 20 = 0.00 INDEPENDENT X \$ 200.00 = 4 = CLAIMS Since an Official Action set an original due date of March 27, 2006, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$120)); (2 months (\$450)); (3 months (\$1,020)); (4 months (\$1,590)); (5 months (\$2,160): If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$500.00) If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$130.00) Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00) 0.00 \$ Total of above Calculations = Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28) 0.00 TOTAL FEES DUE = (1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0". (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20". (4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0". (5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3". METHOD OF PAYMENT Check enclosed as payment. \boxtimes Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below. No payment is enclosed. **GENERAL AUTHORIZATION** If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit \boxtimes any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to: 19-3935 Deposit Account No. Deposit Account Name STAAS & HALSEY LLP The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under \boxtimes 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application. SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP John C. Garvey 28.607 Typed Name Reg. No. 9-06 Signature ©2005 Staas & Halsey LLP



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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 27, 2005, and having a period for response set to expire on March 27, 2006.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.